

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are now pending. Claims 1-7 and 9-13 were allowed in the action. Claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claim 8 has been amended. It is therefore submitted that claim 8 is definite in accordance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, whereby this rejection has been overcome.

Claims 14-16, which were rejected in the action, have been canceled without prejudice and without any adverse admissions with respect to the Examiner's stated rejection. Thus, it is submitted that the application is in a condition for allowance, and formal notice thereof is respectfully requested. Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions regarding this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required, including the fee for an extension of time, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 20-0809. The applicant(s) hereby authorizes the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3) to treat any paper that is filed in this application which requires an extension of time as incorporating a request for such an extension.

Respectfully submitted,


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